# Mini-Conference Addressing Challenging Behaviors

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PROVIDING HELP & HOPE

Docs4Parents is a group of specialists that have come together to help non-profit organizations to raise funds to support programs that offer services to parents/families that are caring for children that have special needs. Docs4Parents will be partnering with Making A Difference Association (MADA) and Inland Regional Center to present a mini half day conference that will give parents and individuals working with children that have challenging behaviors practical information that addresses the whole child.

Advice will be given from leading specialists in Children's well-being. Information will be shared from a multidisciplinary panel approach and will include consultation from:

- Kiti Freier Randall, PhD- Pediatric Neurodevelopmental Psychologist
- Traci Williams, MD Pediatric Physician
- Jill Landless, OTD, OTR-L Occupational Therapist
- Pam Dobbins, LMFT Family & Art Therapist

This inspiring and informative discussion will provide tools to assist you in dealing with children's difficult behaviors.

## Who Should Attend:

Parents (birth, foster, adoptive, kinship), Teachers, Early Intervention Specialists, Parent Partners, Child Care Providers, Head Start and Early Head Start Professionals, Social Workers and Behavior Specialists.

Training Hours Approved By the Department of Children & Family Services Will Be Provided What Is The cost:

\$50 (See registration form for discount information)

Are Scholarships Available:

YES!

DATE: TIME: 10-10-10 8:00-12:00

LOCATION:

Inland Regional Center 1365 S. Waterman Ave. San Bernardino, CA 92408

For More Information or to Download Registration Information Please visit:

www.makingadifferenceassociation.org or call 909-350-4895

## **Conference Presenters**

Traci Williams, MD

Dr. Traci is a Southern California native who graduated from the School of Medicine at Loma Linda University in 1997. She completed a residency in adult Internal Medicine and Pediatrics in 2001, and worked as a primary care physician for LLU for 7 years. She has and expertise and has been working with the population of special needs and high risk children since 2006 and currently serves as the Physician for 3 of San Bernardino County's SART Centers. It is here, with the littlest and most vulnerable children, where her heart lies.

## Jill Landless, DOTR

Dr. Jill is an Occupational therapist who graduated from the School of Allied Health Professions at Loma Linda University in 2010. She completed her doctoral degree with a focus in substance exposed children and their caregivers. Dr. Jill currently works as a pediatric occupational therapist in an in-patient rehabilitation setting. She has been working with high risk children since 2007 with a focus on sensory integration and living healthy and active lifestyles.

#### Pam Dobbins, LFMT

Pam is a licensed Marriage and Family Therapist and a registered Art Therapist who is completing her Ph.D. in clinical psychology. She brings to her work a wealth of first-hand experience with children. She has been a preschool teacher, group home director, child therapist, and program manager. She has worked with children who have been traumatized (Abuse, Chronic Illness, and Grief), who have behavioral and emotionally issues, or have special needs. In addition, she has taught parenting class and provided community lectures on children and parenting issues. Pam has a special gift for combining art, play, and verbal therapy in a way that reaches children who are having difficulty expressing their fears and hurts. She creates a safe nurturing environment for children and includes the parents in goal setting and the therapeutic process.





### Kiti Freier Randall, PhD

Dr. Kiti is a Pediatric Neurodevelopmental Psychologist with an extensive background working with high-risk infant and youth populations for over 20 years. She is a consultant with Children's Network and First Five San Bernardino and also works with all 4 of the San Bernardino County SART centers and San Bernardino County Preschools. She holds an academic appointment in the Departments of Pediatrics and Public Health at Loma Linda University & Children's Hospital in California and at Andrews University in Michigan. Dr. Kiti has worked with high risk youth in a number of settings including juvenile corrections, community mental health, schools, and children's hospitals. Dr. Kiti is an expert in both research and training related to infant and youth high-risk behavior prevention and intervention promoting resiliency via numerous presentations and training in over 40 countries and throughout the United States. Dr. Kiti has dedicated her career to providing direct service and training to children, families, professionals, organizations and communities to enhance the physical, cognitive, emotional, and spiritual lives of children and their families in order to promote optimal and healthy living.



